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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Balschmidt et al.

Confirmation No.: 9387

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Group Art Unit: 1656 (Location change)

Filed: June 23, 2003

Examiner: Liu, Samuel W.

For: Use of Dimethyl Sulfone as Isotonicity Agent

## PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 C.F.R. 1.136(a))

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the non-final Office Action on the merits mailed April 24, 2007, having a shortened period for reply of three (3) months, due to expire July 24, 2007, be extended for a period of two (2) months from July 24, 2007, to September 24, 2007, to permit timely filing of the Amendment/Response enclosed herewith.

In the event that an additional extension of time is required, Applicants hereby petition for such extension of time. The Commissioner of Patents is authorized to charge the required fee, if applicable, to Deposit Account No. 14-1447.

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Phase charge the required fee, estimated to be \$450, with this petition and credit any overpayments to Novo Nordisk Inc., Deposit Account No. 14-1447. Please charge any additional fees, should they be required, to Deposit Account No. 14-1447. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: September 24, 2007

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